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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of November 7, 2003, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections made therein are respectfully requested, in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Inasmuch as the Official Action did not set any shortened statutory period, this Amendment is being timely filed because it is being filed within the maximum statutory period of six months (i.e., before May 7, 2004) and no extension of time is believed necessary. However, if an extension is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be necessary, the same is hereby requested and the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees in connection therewith or any fees necessary to preserve the pendency of this application to deposit account No. 19-0089.